

Town of Saugerties Conservation Advisory Commission

Meeting minutes for July 18, 2013

Present: B. Sawchuk, S. Guerin, L. Thornton, M. Wrolsen, E. Shafer, G. Marzec, C. Tienken,
and M. O'Donnell

Absent: J. Barbour and J. Randall

Convened: 7:05 pm, Saugerties Town Hall.

- The minutes for the May 2013 CAC meeting were approved. M. O'Donnell abstained since she didn't receive the minutes; all others approved the motion.
- G. Marzec stated that the minutes for June 2013 would be available shortly.
 - o Gerry also brought up J. Randall's request to include Saugerties in the Town of Hunter's Scenic Byway designation. There was some reservation among CAC members about the inclusion of Platte Clove Road and increased traffic up the Clove via Manorville Road.
- S. Guerin stated that Supervisor K. Myer has the letter for the state representatives to meet with the town to discuss Bristol Beach.
 - o L. Thornton will put it on the next Town Board meeting agenda.
 - o Leeanne will also check on the potential for the town's liability insurance rate to increase if the town acquires the property (G. Marzec asked this question per Sam Dedrick's request).
 - o We have not received a letter of support from the Esopus Creek Conservancy as of this date.
- L. Thornton stated that the new water meters for Glasco were a source of concern for some residents at a recent Town Board meeting.
- E. Shafer mentioned that there will be a clean-up of the Cloverlea property on Saturday July 20. There was some discussion about liability and the fact that the site is private property.
- M. Wrolsen mentioned that the Town of Woodstock is inoculating some of its ash trees against the European Ash Borer. A pesticide is injected into the tree to protect it from attack.
- B. Sawchuk went to a recent DEC presentation. Among the topics was a review of stream cleaning practices. The DEC is asking towns not to go in and just start cleaning them out on their own.
 - o Brian also stated that the DEC is now going to have online access to Environmental Assessment Forms.
 - o There will also be different rates for various hunting and fishing permits.

As there were no further topics for discussion, our meeting was adjourned at 8:05pm.